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## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

### Amendment to the Specification

The Applicants points out to the Examining Attorney that the amendment to the specification was a correction of a typographical, which is also obvious from the remaining text, adding the term "not" to make it clear that it is not desirable to so expose the parts.

## Drawings

The documents submitted by the Examining Attorney show no objection to the drawings.

#### **New Claims**

The Applicants have amended the claims to add new claims 24 - 35, and submit that the new claims (which are method claims), are allowable over all the art, including that submitted in the supplemental IDS submitted herewith.

Having canceled the pending claims, Applicants submit that the pending rejections are removed and will not therefore be argued, although Applicants do not agree with the prior position taken by the Examiner.

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# **Supplemental IDS**

The Applicants are also submitting a supplemental IDS with this response and RCE.

## Conclusion

Applicant therefore submits Claims 24-35 are in a position to proceed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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